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Dr. LaVerne Terry
Commissioner
Virgin Islands Department of Education
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Dear Commissioner Terry:

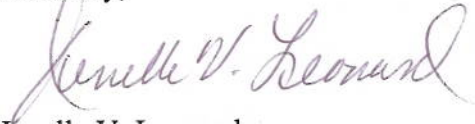
On behalf of the U. S. Department of Education (ED), I am pleased to inform you that the Virgin Island's Technology Plan for School Year 2011-2013 submitted by the Virgin Islands Department of Education (VIDE) on May 31, 2010 has been approved.

The VIDE's Education Technology Plan was reviewed by a panel of ED staff versed in the provisions of Title II, Part D, section 2413 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended. The panel reviewed and discussed the VIDE plan on the merits of its content and the extent to which the plan meets ESEA Title II, Part D statutory requirements. After careful consideration of the ED review panel's comments, subsequent discussions with VIDE officials and VIDE plan amendments, the ED review panel recommended that the VIDE's Technology Plan for 2011-2013 be approved. The recommendation was based on the inclusion of the following elements in your Technology Plan:

- Strategies that address curriculum development and classroom technology integration, professional development, community engagement, infrastructure, access, assessment, and evaluation;
- Strategies that address technology literacy by students, teachers, and administrators;
- Alignment of individual school, district and territory improvement plans developed under the U.S. Department of Education Consolidated Grant Application;
- Stated goals, objectives, and strategies for implementing and integrating technology into the classrooms, curriculum and instruction and information technology to improve education and library services;
- Strategies for providing professional development; and,
- Strategies for developing and implementing a framework for the effective support, monitoring, and reporting needed to effectively meet the educational needs of the territory's traditional and nontraditional learners.

ED looks forward to working with you as you implement the Technology Plan and continue your efforts to improve education for all students in the Virgin Islands. If you have any questions or have a need for technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me on 202-401-3641, or by email at jenelle.leonard@ed.gov; or contact Enid Marshall at 202-708-9499 or enid.marshall@ed.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Jenelle V. Leonard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Jenelle V. Leonard

Director

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